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PEACH

One-year
From Bud

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PLANT PEACH TREES; every owner of a piece of land, even tho no larger than a town lot, should plant at least two or three. No other fruit tree produces fruit so quickly and abundantly, and with such satisfactory regularity. No other fruit is so universally popular among all classes and in all markets. Planted in commercial quantities in suitable soil and location, no other fruit is more profitable to the grower. On town and city lots, as well as in all family plantations, peach and cherry should predominate; with very little attention the tree may be grown into beautiful specimens, fitting ornaments to any grounds. But the supreme satisfaction to the planter of a peach tree comes with the ripening fruit—great globules of delicious, juicy pulp, far superior to the green-picked, distance-shipped peach as to be scarcely recognizable as the same fruit.

The so-called "Peach Belt" is being carried further north year by year; the introduction of such hardy sorts as Champion, Alton, Illinois, Russell, Washington, Sea Eagle Improved, etc., has made it possible to profitably grow peaches where formerly it was supposed they could not be grown. Prof. Hedrick, of the Geneva, N. Y., Experiment Station, in a talk on "The Hardiness of the Peach" said: "This fruit has not yet reached its northern limit; culture and soil have much to do with hardiness. Trees from the south are not necessarily more tender than those in the north." In support of this statement one has but to recall the fact that Mr. J. H. Hale, the most noted peach grower in the world, has growing in the state of Connecticut, immense peach orchards which have paid him handsomely, fully as well as his orchards in Georgia.

LARGE PEACH TREES are preferred by Mr. Hale for transplanting; he says in the FRUIT GROWER: "As a general proposition I want a large peach tree, and plant lots of them 6 and 8 ft. high. I used to try and make myself believe I wanted small trees, but experience has shown me that I do not. I cut the top off at a height of 18 inches or 2 ft. and remove the side branches. If only one bud puts forth it is apt to discourage the planter, but it should be allowed to grow; the next season cut it back, leaving 3 or 4 buds, and it will put fourth shoots which will make a fine top for the low-headed tree. Yes, I want big peach trees, and know they are best for the general planter."

One Crop Worth More Than Land.—Our Stark Trees had peaches last year which sold at \$3.00 per bu; customers said they were the finest they ever saw, the best flavored. There are 7 acres in orchard and this **one crop was worth more than the ground on which the trees stand.**—E. B. ELY, Mason Co., Ill.

Am so Greatly Satisfied and pleased with the Salway Peach you shipped me last spring, that I am going to buy from you my trees for fall planting. Quote price on 1000 very choice Cox Cling and 1000 same grade Salway. The 2000 Salway you shipped me we planted under exactly the same conditions that I had in planting 3000 Elberta from a local nursery and 600 Cox Cling from another. Your stock shows a loss of only about 20 trees, while the Elberta show a loss of more than 60% and the other stock a loss of about 10%.—DR. J. S. KLOEBER, King Co., Wash.

Over \$250 Per Acre.—700 peach bought of you 2 years ago have made fine growth. Lost only one tree in setting, altho shipment lay at depot in Fort Worth for a month after arrival. I sold the orchard (about 7 acres) for \$1800.00. Will move to Okla. and will want a thousand more Stark peach.—A. E. JACKSON, Tarrant Co., Tex.

Finest Orchard in the Country.—Mr. C. F. Haight had me go and look at his peach orchard and it is certainly a beauty, finest 2-yr. peach orchard in this country—looks like a 4-yr.-old; he is very proud of it and is going to have it photographed. It is a good ad. for Stark Trees. Mr. Haight bought 200 pear trees of a dealer and got badly done up; says he will take it into court unless the firm makes it right. Now he wants some Stark pear. Apple trees he got of you did splendidly.—J. D. HOLMES, Yates Co., N. Y.

Splendid Roots.—Just received the peach trees—as fine as anyone ever saw and they have such splendid roots. With proper care they will be 2 inches in diameter at end of this season.—GUY W. BOHAMAN, Custer Co., Oklahoma.

Best Ever Received.—Stark peach received last spring were the best I ever received from any nursery; after coming so far they were in perfect order. Want a lot more of our peach this Fall.—J. W. BLACKRNE, Sherman Co., Oregon.

Highly Pleased.—Received my trees all in fine shape except Abundance Mulb'y which had a barked place; one Gold Plum and one Delicious Apple died too. Am not telling this to make a roar for I could lose half the trees and come out ahead of what I have seen in shipments from other nurseries. Am heartily pleased with the premium

trees; if I should pick them from catalogue I could not please myself better. Stark peach trees bought 1906, bloomed and would have fruited only for late freeze. Am highly pleased with all my stuff and thank you heartily for the many favors shown.—CHAS. H. SIKES, Sierra Co., New Mexico.

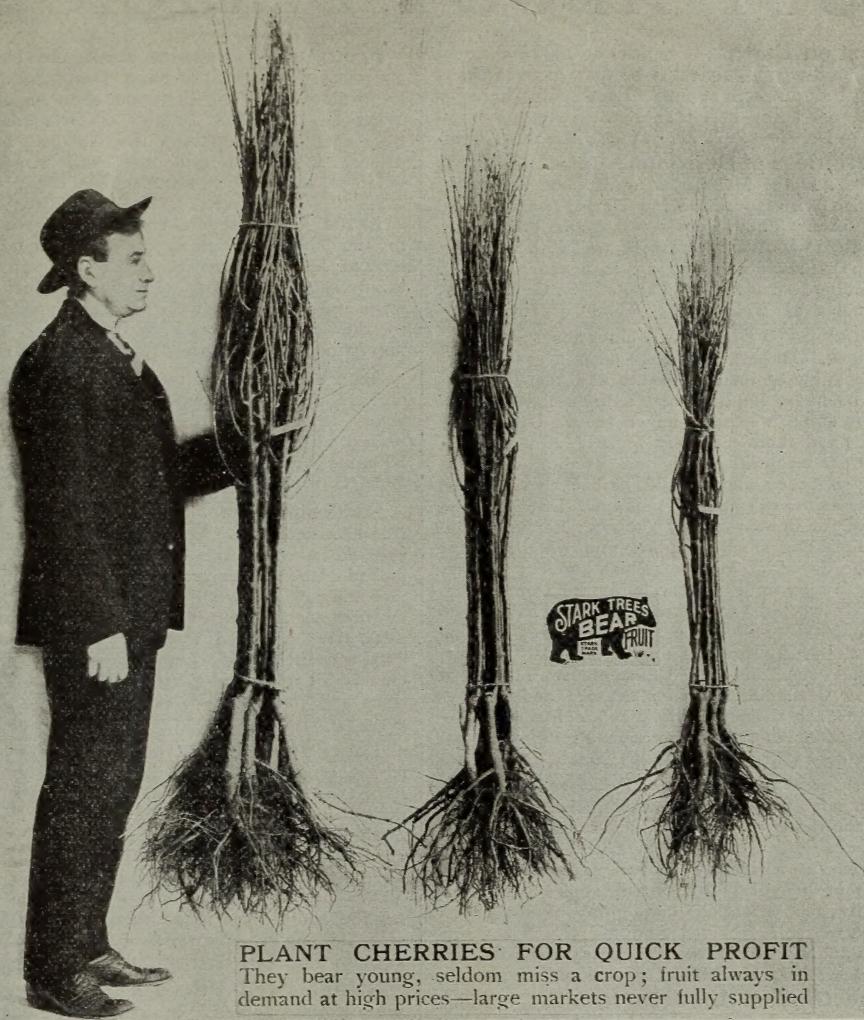
Twelve Years' Satisfaction.—Set 1000 Stark peach 1895; am well pleased with trees and fruit.—B. W. MCCASLAND, Davidson Co., Tenn.

The Finest on Stark Trees.—The 1000 Elberta I bought from you 3 years ago are bearing as fine fruit as I ever saw. Last year's crop was fine, this year's still better so I am well pleased. You may remember the order that I was dissatisfied with on account of trees being somewhat crooked; they are now fine trees and loaded with the finest and best peaches I ever tasted. I have finer peaches than anyone who has not Stark Trees. If you will refer to my orchard you will have no trouble selling peaches.—W. H. BURROWS, Okla.

A Gold Mine.—Oklahoma has a fine peach, apple and Japan plum crop this year. My 600 Stark peach trees, 4 years old, are a gold mine now.—JOHN BARNHILL, Lincoln Co., Okla.

\$14.20 per Bushel.—Shipped Red Bird Clings last spring on June 8, 10 and 11 and sold them for an average of **\$14.20 per bushel.** This is 30 to 35 days earlier than Elberta in this section.—W. A. JEFFERS, Crawford Co., Ark.





PLANT CHERRIES FOR QUICK PROFIT
 They bear young, seldom miss a crop; fruit always in demand at high prices—large markets never fully supplied

THE CHERRY is the most neglected of all the important fruits which succeed in the United States and Canada. It is a delicious and refreshing fruit and should be much more widely planted than at present. It is always in demand and the market is rarely glutted. In most localities there are not enough grown to supply the home demand. There is no doubt that if cherries were sold at reasonable prices they would be as popular to eat out of hand as they are in Europe. Canned and preserved, in most towns and cities they are considered a great treat, owing to the prohibitive prices which have to be paid for the fruit. A revival of interest in cherry culture is sure to take place at no distant date. It offers one of the best fields for fruit growing that the writer knows of.—SPECIAL REPORT, AMERICAN POMOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Cherry Fruiting at Two Years.—Very much pleased with the trees received from you; all are doing well. Cherry planted 2 years ago have each a crop. This makes our third order for Stark Trees.—J. T. SMITH, Randolph Co., Ill.

Loaded Every Year.—Among a lot of nursery stock from you was a cherry tree which has been loaded every year. Have gathered enough fruit from this tree in one year to pay for all the stuff I bought of you and the bill was over \$19.—MRS. AL. MCQUAY, Champaign Co., Ills.

Poorer Trees at a Higher Price.—Cherry came promptly and are now in the ground; am highly pleased with them. A few had short roots but liberal count prevents my saying a word. Have a very nice cherry orchard but bought my trees before this in New York and got poorer trees and paid more money.—J. M. GARRETT, Sec'y Ky. Horticultural Society, Woodford Co., Ky.

Finest Among 5000.—Cherry purchased from you are the finest trees I have among 5000 on my farm.—H. J. MADDART, Fairfax Co., Va.

JUST ABOUT DELICIOUS

Best on Earth.—Give price on 1000 Delicious. Have an 8-year Delicious tree that gave 15 boxes fancy, best on earth apples. Land selling here for \$2600 per acre, best orchards. Shall plant 10 acres to Delicious.—J. H. SAYLER, Mesa Co., Colo.

Hardiness of Delicious.—In addition to top grafting, I set a few root grafts of Delicious, Stayman Winesap and King David, with several other sorts. They were set late and grew late. Delicious is hardy, showing well with any other sort in that respect. Your are to be congratulated for finding so promising an apple.—C. G. PATTEN, Originator of New Fruits, Floyd Co., Iowa.

Superior to Banana.—Have about 300 boxes Delicious. In past years have seen a great many varieties, but do not hesitate to say that Delicious is all its name implies, and a finer flavored and looking apple we have never seen. Unless our trade buys them up very quickly at our price, \$4.00 per box, will watch the keeping qualities. Being so large, they should be packed with great care so as not to stem prick them. Do not think so much of Banana as of Delicious. Banana comes in the class of summer apples and when real ripe has the flavor of Maiden Blush which is very liable to turn mealy after being held some time. Note by western papers that Banana have been sold at \$6.00 to \$12.00 per box, but they were all bought by Andrew Carnegie. Just at present, financial conditions in Chicago are such that Andrew Carnegies are very scarce, and it takes nerve to ask a man \$4.00 per box for apples.—H. WOODS & CO., Wholesale Fruits, Chicago.

A Very Valuable Point.—We have just had a most disastrous freeze. Delicious shows but little if any effect, notwithstanding the fact that the buds showed color fully as much as standard sorts, all buds of which were killed. With me, Delicious is a **hardy tree**, early and annual bearer of beautiful delicious apples which attracted great attention among my World's Fair exhibit where I received gold medal. I am surprised and glad to know it appears **almost ice proof**.—JAMES M. ZION, Tippecanoe Co., Ind.

The Grocers Like Delicious.—A friend who is in the largest grocery store here, came to me with two apples which he wanted named. "One of them," he said, "Is the best apple I have ever seen. It retains its flavor and its rich juice better than any apple I ever handled." It was Delicious. This party had a half barrel of Delicious also a number of barrels of Stayman Winesap but he thought Delicious better than Stayman W. He sold all Delicious he had at 5¢ per pound.—J. M. IRVINE, Editor The Fruit Grower, St. Joseph, Mo.

All Want Delicious.—After sampling the Delicious, have decided to plant 100 trees. Please quote price.—CAPT. GEO. T. LINCOLN, Pres't Arkansas State Horticultural Society.

Magnificent.—Box of Delicious came the day before Christmas. They were magnificent, the handsomest lot of apples I ever saw together.—W. F. HEIKES, Madison Co., Ala.

From New York's Noted Authority.—Delicious is certainly all the name implies, while Black Ben and Stayman Winesap were fine specimens.—S. D. WILLARD, N. Y. Exp. Station.

From a Wholesale Fruit Dealer.—We are getting interested in King David and want to know more about it. Can you send us samples? We received a few samples of Delicious which were about the finest thing the Newhalls ever saw or ate. If you can beat them with King David, we think you will be "going some."—F. NEWHALL & SONS, Wholesale Fruits, So. Water St., Chicago.

LATER.—Have seen a good many fine apples in my time, but I never saw a package, equal to that box of Delicious and Stayman Winesap you so kindly sent us. Every apple was perfect and so large and high quality they are a constant delight to the eye and taste. We certainly are appreciating them to the full.—BENJ. NEWHALL.

\$6 Per Box.—Three years ago I sold my orchard to Oscar Vanderbilt and he had a few boxes of Delicious this year. Mr. Vanderbilt picked up every Delicious he could find, about 50 boxes, and sold them to a Portland hotel for \$6.00 per box.—E. L. SMITH, Wasco Co., Or.

Far Superior to Samples.—Have found a tree here top grafted to Delicious some 6 or 7 years ago from which the owner, Mr. C. G. Smith, picked 14 boxes this year. I saw some of the apples and just as I wrote you I thought they would be, they are **far superior to the samples you sent me**—solid red with very pronounced yellow dots, with the 5 little protuberances at the calyx end. Quality all you claim for it. Have 100 Delicious trees and if I had more land would plant all to this variety.—GEO. LAGRANGE, Mesa Co., Colo.

The Famous Wenatchee Valley.—Last spring I made a larger delivery of Stark Trees here than all other nurseries combined. Trees arrived in good condition and gave splendid satisfaction. The majority of bearing orchards here are Stark Trees; they bear **true to name** and have done their share in making the Wenatchee Valley famous. Delicious is bearing and is becoming the leader; too much cannot be said for this splendid apple. Senator and Stayman Winesap are also fine.—O. M. BROOKS, Chelan Co., Wash.

Brings High Prices Everywhere.—Saw some glorious apples from the state of Washington in our Washington, D. C. market recently, and among them Delicious which was bringing the **highest price** of all apples in our fancy stores.—PROF. H. E. VAN DEMAN, Ex. U. S. Pomologist.

WILSON JUNE (Jan Jacinto.) Like an enormously large Red June apple, of which it is a cross, coming in just as the Red June goes out. Tree vigorous, hardy, exceedingly young bearer, prolific; 4-yr. trees July 23, 1906, had 8 to 15 large ripe apples, looking like fine Black Ben; five 9-yr. trees yielded 27 bu.; brings highest prices. Kansas City Commission house wrote J. F. Bain, Lincoln, Ark.: "Ship me more of those fine Red Apples." A variety of the highest merit both for market and table. Fruit hangs to the tree remarkably well and a fine keeper for an early apple. Fortunate will be the orchardist who gets an early start of this apple. Origin Washington Co., Ark., many years ago; first grafted and sent out for trial in 1893. Has been called San Jacinto in Texas and given several other names elsewhere.